

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 3 with the following text:

This is a continuation application of co-pending application Serial No. 08/829,465 filed on March 28, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,482,166, which is a continuation of Serial No. 08/280,209 filed on July 25, 1994, now U.S. Patent No. 5,636,641.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 14 with the following text:

Further details of guide wires and devices associated therewith for angioplasty procedures can be found in U.S. Patent 4,516,972 (Samson); U.S. Patent 4,538,622 (Samson et al.); U.S. Patent 4,554,929 (Samson et al.); and U.S. Patent 5,341,818 (Abrams et al.) which are incorporated into this application by reference.